

**City of Franklin Common Council**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**December 3, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Joseph E. McGuinness presiding. Council members Joseph Abban, Joseph Ault, Kenneth Austin, Stephen Barnett, Robert Henderson, Stephen Hougland, and Richard Wertz answered roll call. Attorney Heath Johnson, Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander, and Records Clerk Kathy Cragen were also present.

Mayor McGuinness opened the meeting by first introducing Brownie Troop #733, and thanked them for coming to this meeting. The Mayor asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll. Councilor Henderson offered an invocation. Brownie Troop #733 and their leader Chelese Woods lead the assembly in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Announcements & Presentations**

Chief O'Sullivan presented Commendation Medals to the following Franklin police officers: Detective Scott Carter, Officer Brian Oliver & Officer Matt Smiley. Mayor McGuinness extended his congratulations to these officers and expressed his gratitude for the hard work being done by Franklin Police Officers every day.

**Consent Agenda**

Mayor McGuinness presented the consent agenda for approval.

- Approval of the November 19, 2012 Common Council Minutes
- Budgetary Resolution No.: 12-12 Authorizing a Transfer from Police Supplies Line Item 200 in the amount of \$17,204.00, and from Police Professional Services Line Item 300 in the amount of \$12,000.00 to Capital Outlays Line Item 400 for a total of \$29,204.00
- Budgetary Resolution No.: 12-13 Authorizing a Transfer from Board of Works Capital Outlays Line Item 400 to Professional Services Line Item 300 in the amount of \$60,000.00
- Budgetary Resolution No.: 12-14 Authorizing a Transfer from MVH Capital Outlays Line Item 400 Supplies Line Item 200 in the amount of \$12,000.00

A discussion was held. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilor Abban. A voice vote was taken with all members stating Aye. No members stating Nay. The motion carried.

**Old Business**

Council President Barnett made a motion to read the title listed on the agenda under Old Business, seconded by Councilor Abban. A voice vote was taken with all members stating Aye. No members stating Nay. The motion carried. Mayor McGuinness read the title as listed on the agenda, **Second Reading of Ordinance No.: 12-27 An Ordinance for the Purpose of Redistricting the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana**, and announced that this is a public hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak for or against the proposed ordinance. No one asked to speak. Mr. Brian

Bosma, Esq., was present to answer questions. A discussion was held. Councilor Abban made a motion to approve, seconded by Council President Barnett. A voice vote was taken with six (6) members: Abban, Ault, Austin, Barnett, Hougland, and Wertz stating Aye. One (1) member stating Nay: Henderson. The motion carried 6 to 1.

### **New Business**

No new business was presented.

### **Other Business**

Councilor Abban asked the Street Commissioner about the process used for the collection of leaves and tree cuttings throughout the city. Street Commissioner Collins responded by explaining that each section of the city has an assigned day of the week for collection. However if there is a large amount of work in one section, that work is completed before the crew moves to the next. This method sometimes results in delays in some areas.

### **Council Member Comments**

Council President Barnett stated that the Council has several appointments to make at the first meeting in January.

Mr. Henderson stated that the RDC will hold a meeting December 20<sup>th</sup>;  
Councilor Hougland stated that the FDC met in November and will meet again December 27<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor McGuinness thanked everyone involved in the Christmas lighting program.

### **Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, December 17, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer  
Enrolled: 12/13/2012

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Joseph McGuinness, Mayor

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